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Independent Claims	-20** =	X	
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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	84	209	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
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139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicant(s): Donald R. Mullen, et al.

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING AN INTEGRATED
CIRCUIT COVER

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In a communication dated April 4, 2002, the Examiner has required election of species. The Examiner has stated that the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Embodiment 1 of Figures 2-5

Embodiment 2 of Figures 6-9

Embodiment 3 of Figures 10 and 11

Embodiment 4 of Figures 12 and 13

Embodiment 5 of Figures 14 and 15

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